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REMARKS

In the non-final action of November 22, 2006, the Examiner examined claims 1-19 and, of those, rejected claims 1-19. Claims 1-19 are pending, of which claims 1, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 18 are independent. Current claims 1, 10, and 12 have been amended. Support for the amended claims may be found throughout the disclosure, including, for example, page 14, lines 13-20 of the specification. No new matter has been added.

Applicant requests reconsideration of the rejected claims in view of the remarks below.

In-person Interview

Initially, applicants' representatives thank Examiner Lee for the courtesies extended during the in-person interview conducted on February 22, 2007. In the interview, applicant's representatives discussed features of claim 1 not found in U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0250059 (Ramelson), such as "identifying the application status entry that includes a unique identifier value that matches the received unique identifier value, the application status entry including application status information related to the application." As reflected in the Interview Summary PTOL-413 of February 22, 2007, the Examiner agreed that Ramelson does not describe or suggest this feature.

The Interview Summary PTOL-413 of February 22, 2007 indicates that the "Examiner also found Claim 1 is missing a step of producing useful and tangible results." Applicant respectfully disagrees with the characterization that "Applicants' representative also agreed" that claim 1 was missing a step of producing useful and tangible results. Applicant does not agree with the Examiner's position that claim 1 was missing a step of producing useful and tangible results; however, to expedite prosecution, claim 1 has been amended to recite "sending, to the network browser, a result based on processing the received request, the result capable of being rendered by the network browser."

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-19 have been rejected as being anticipated by Ramelson. Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection because Ramelson does not describe or suggest

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the subject matter recited in independent claims 1, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 18, as described more fully below.

        <u>Independent Claims 1, 10, and 12, and Dependent Claims 2-9, 11, and 13</u>

        Applicant submits that independent claim 1 defines an invention that is patentable over Ramelson, as described more fully below. Applicant's identification of the differences between applicant's invention and the references should not be taken as an admission that the references are properly considered prior art under any provision of 35 U.S.C. § 102.

        Ramelson does not describe or suggest identifying an application status entry that includes a unique identifier value that matches the received unique identifier value, as recited in claim 1.

        Claim 1 recites a method for processing a request received from a network browser. A request generated by a network browser is received. The network browser is used to access a network server having an application accessible to the network browser and the request includes a unique identifier value that identifies an application status entry. The application status entry that includes a unique identifier value that matches the received unique identifier value is identified. The application status entry includes application status information related to the application. The application status information included in the identified application status entry is used to set a status of the application. The received request is processed only after the status of the application is set based on the application status information of the identified application status entry. A result based on processing the received request is sent to the network browser. The result is capable of being rendered by the network browser.

        In contrast, Ramelson relates to a hardware communication system that can terminate a large number of transport layer connections. *See* Ramelson at page 1, paragraph [0002]. For example, Ramelson teaches an object aware switch that routes information from multiple clients to multiple servers. *See* Ramelson at Fig. 1. More specifically, Ramelson teaches a network communication unit that includes connection servicing logic that is responsive to transport-layer headers and a programmable parser that is operative to parse application-level information

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received by the connection servicing logic for at least a first of the connections. *See* Ramelson at page 1, paragraph [0014].

As such, Ramelson is directed to routing of information in the transport layer. Ramelson does not describe or suggest identifying an application status entry that includes a unique identifier value that matches the received unique identifier value, the application status entry including application status information related to the application, as recited in claim 1.

Accordingly, for at least the reasons described above, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1 and its dependent claims 2-9.

Independent claims 10 and 12 recite similar limitations in the context of a computer-readable medium, and a system for processing a request received from a network browser, respectively. Accordingly, for at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of independent claims 10 and 12, and the respective dependent claims 11 and 13.

<u>Independent Claims 14, 16, and 18, and Dependent Claims 15, 17, and 19</u>

Applicant submits that independent claim 14 defines an invention that is patentable over Ramelson, as described more fully below.

Ramelson does not describe or suggest generating the requested web page using selected state information to change a present state to a different present state, the selected state information used in the generation of the requested web page being determined by a computer program for generating the dynamically generated web page, as recited in claim 14.

Claim 14 recites a method including receiving a request to provide a dynamically generated web page. The request is generated by a network browser used to access a network server having an application accessible to the network browser. The requested web page is generated using selected state information to change a present state to a different present state. The selected state information used in the generation of the requested web page is determined by a computer program for generating the dynamically generated web page. The changed present state of the selected state information is stored for use in subsequently generating the same

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dynamically generated web page at a later time, such that the presently and subsequently dynamically generated web pages are identical in information content.

As described above, Ramelson is directed to routing of information in the transport layer. In Ramelson, the routing may be performed using implementation logic to direct data to specific servers. *See* Ramelson at page 3, paragraph [0021] (describing using implementation logic to perform load-balancing and other types of operations). For example, Rameslon recites that "systems according to the invention can determine the exact nature of those requests and route each of them to the most appropriate server for those requests." Ramelson at page 5, paragraph [0040]. Ramelson's techniques for routing requests do not describe or suggest generating the requested web page using selected state information to change a present state to a different present state, the selected state information used in the generation of the requested web page being determined by a computer program for generating the dynamically generated web page, as recited in claim 14.

Accordingly, for at least the reasons described above, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 14 and its dependent claim 15.

Independent claims 16 and 18 recite similar limitations in the context of a computer-readable medium, and a system for retrieving a dynamically generated web page more than once, respectively. Accordingly, for at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 14, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of independent claims 16 and 18 and their dependent claims 17 and 19, respectively.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that pending claims 1-19 are in condition for allowance, and requests that the Examiner issue a notice of allowance.
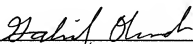
It is believed that all of the pending issues have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this reply should be construed as an intent to

concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this reply, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated November 22, 2006, be extended for one month to and including March 22, 2007. The fee in the amount of $120.00 in payment for the Petition for Extension of Time fee is being paid concurrently herewith on the Electronic Filing System (EFS) by way of Deposit Account authorization. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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